

# Average paperwork burden cost for RCRA paper manifests

- EPA's 28 May 2008 Federal Register notice for 3-year renewal of the paper manifest "Information Collection Request" (ICR) approval from OMB, provides the following summary information  
(source: <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2008/E8-11856.htm>)
- Respondents/Affected Entities: Businesses and Farms that generate, transport or receive hazardous waste.
  - Estimated Number of Respondents: 190,628 (i.e., industrial facilities)
  - Estimated Total Annual Labor Hour Burden: 3,743,122
  - Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$109,934,365 which includes
    - \$106,862,075 annualized labor (to industry + state govts)
    - \$3,072,290 annualized capital and O&M costs
  - Annual number of responses: 2,074,900 (i.e., Federal waste manifests)
- Using numbers from the above summary, the average paperwork burden cost for paper manifests is:  
$$(\$109,934,365 \text{ total annual cost}) / (2,074,900 \text{ manifests}) = \textbf{\$53 per manifest}$$